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APPEAL FOR BETTER LAWS

Governor Wilson Urges Progressive Reforms for New Jersey

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 11.—President-elect Wilson in his capacity as Governor of New Jersey sent his second annual message to the legislature which convened today. It was his last formal appeal to the legislature for the completion of the program of progressive legislation for which he declared himself when he took office.

Foremost among the laws advocated are a radical revision of the statutes governing corporations and better laws in the matter of drawing juries. The governor recommends the commission form of government for cities and speaks strongly in favor of economies in the state administration. In conclusion he expresses the hope that New Jersey will ratify the constitutional amendments providing for a tax on incomes, and the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. The governor's message was written while the president-elect was in Bermuda and constitutes his only political writing since election.

New Jersey "Another of Trusts." At the outset of the document there is a personal note of regret at leaving New Jersey, and an expression of gratitude and obligation to those who stood by him in carrying out reforms. Almost without preface, however, the governor calls attention that New Jersey shall never again be called "The Mother of Trusts," the message is addressed to a legislature that is, for the first time during his administration, Democratic in both branches.

The corporation laws of the state notoriously stand in need of alteration, the governor says. They are manifestly inconsistent with the interests of the people in the all-important matter of monopoly, and as they stand, far from checking monopoly, they actually encourage it. The whole country has set its face against this method of forming vast combinations and creating monopoly. Governor Wilson declares, "I am sure that the people of New Jersey," he continues, "does not dissent from the common judgment that our law must prevent these things and prevent them very effectually."

Statutes Should Be Amended. The governor says the statutes of the state should be amended to provide some responsible official supervision of the whole process of incorporation and provide, in addition, satisfactory checks upon unwarranted and excessive increases of capital. No legitimate business will be injured or harmed by such action. These matters affect the honor and good faith of the state, and should be acted upon at once and with clear purpose.

Jury Drawing. After declaring that the state should enact legislation to protect its people from irresponsible persons who offer for sale securities of every sort, the governor turned to the question of jury drawing. Why has no legislation ever seriously and earnestly set itself to correct this condition? he asks. "The drawing of grand juries, and even upon occasion the drawing of petit juries, is notoriously subject to political influence and control in this state, and this can and should be remedied."

Public Utilities. Continuing the governor pointed out reforms in the state's taxation system, and suggested that the board of public utility commissioners be granted additional powers to eliminate dangerous grade railroad crossings in "a thoroughly practical fashion." The board, he urged, should also be given power to require railroads to man their trains with adequate crews.

Commends Commission Government. While commending the legislature of 1911 for passing the act permitting cities and towns to adopt the commission form of government, the governor urged a fuller extension of the system.

"The path of reform in that field," he added, "is unquestionably the path to greater freedom. It is a question of municipal government, perhaps the most serious question in the method of governing that now confronts the United States as a nation. I covet for New Jersey the honor of showing the way of liberty and self-respecting re-organization."

New Jersey Farmer.

"The farmer has not been served as

CONFERENCE TO BREAK UP

Allies to Instruct Commanders in Field That Armistice Is Ended

London, Jan. 14.—The decision definitely to break up the peace conference in London, simultaneously with the presentation to the Turkish government of the note of the European powers, was reported today by the chiefs of the peace delegations of the Balkan allies.

The resolution of the representatives of Bulgaria, Greece, Montenegro and Serbia will be communicated to the port in a formal note. At the same time it was decided to instruct the commanders of armed forces of the allies in the field to terminate the armistice which has been in operation since December 2.

Varying Success of Greeks. Since that date hostilities between Bulgaria and Serbia on the one side and Turkey on the other have entirely ceased. Greece, which did not sign the armistice protocol, however, has continued fighting against Turkey, both on sea and land, with varying success.

Montenegro also, which was nominally a party to the armistice, has been engaged in the interior. In many severe skirmishes with the Turkish forces of Scutari, which shows no signs of yielding. It is believed that the Ottoman troops there, most of whom form part of the regular army, are fairly well provided with food and ammunition.

Janina Rallying Point. Janina, in the south of Epirus, was the rallying point for Turkish troops who escaped from Monastir and other places in Macedonia and Albania. The Greeks have closed all approaches to the fortress from the south, but to the north and west the communications are still open.

Conflicting Reports. Conflicting reports as to conditions in the great fortress of Adrianople are current, but it appears evident that the Turkish troops and inhabitants of the city are suffering from disease and lack of supplies. They have been besieged ever since the last week of October by the advance Bulgarian and other fresh troops.

Before the Tchatalja lines, defending Constantinople, there is a great army of Bulgarians who are strongly entrenched. The threatening note of the allies to the Turks is to be worded in such a way that it will become effective only in the event of the Ottoman government refusing compliance with the advice given to it by the ambassadors of the European powers.

The members of the Balkan league are of the opinion that the note drafted by the European diplomats is so diluted that it requires the admixture of a vitalizing tonic and this, they think, will be supplied by their threat to continue hostilities.

Grand Council. The latest advices received by the Turkish delegates show that the Ottoman grand council has not met at Constantinople yet and that it probably will not meet. The Turkish envoys understand that Kiamil Pasha, the grand vizier, will in all probability resign. The situation developed in such a way that the grand council will be called together.

Observers of the situation in London express the opinion that Turkey will reflect the advice of the European powers and that hostilities will be resumed. Allies Ready to Fight. The representatives of the Balkan allies declare that they are ready to face all events. They say that no fewer than 400,000 of their troops are concentrated along the lines of the fortress of Tchatalja, while all the heavy siege batteries have been placed in position before Adrianople.

General Royovitch, the Serbian hero of Monastir, asserts that within two days Adrianople can now be captured.

Austria to Enforce Claims. Although the mobilization of the Russian and Italian armies is denied, there is no doubt that Austria-Hungary still maintains her armaments with the object of enforcing her claims in the Balkans, especially in Albania.

The plenipotentiaries remark that the attitude of Austria-Hungary is not so much against them as against Italy and that for this reason, and owing to the rivalry between these two members of the triple alliance, the Balkan states will suffer. They assert that Austria-Hungary is depriving Montenegro of Scutari only because, in case that city does not become the capital of Albania, Avlona, which is under the direct influence of Italy, will be chosen.

The funds in the Ottoman treasury are insufficient to meet the coupon of the Turkish 5 per cent loan of 1896, which is due today but the imperial Ottoman bank has made arrangements to assure its payment. The loan amounted to \$14,856,000, and the amount still outstanding as unredeemed is \$13,276,000.

WARM WAVE OVER WHOLE COUNTRY

Seattle, Jan. 14.—A warm wave is overspreading the whole country west of the Rocky mountains, and under its influence it is expected a great volume of snow in the Cascade mountains soon will be begun to melt.

The Northern Pacific mountain division is in operation. The Great Northern and Milwaukee railroads are still blocked, but are making progress toward restoration. The weather today is favorable for track clearing. Washouts so late in the winter are not feared.

DECREASE SHOWN IN COTTON REPORT

Washington, Jan. 14.—Cotton consumed in the United States during December amounted to 445,827 running bales, compared with 475,240 bales in November and 511,285 bales in October, according to the census bureau's monthly report, issued here this morning.

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bales and in all other states 220,310 bales.

The number of active cotton spinnings in use December 31 was 30,146,756, of which 11,610,422 were in cotton growing states and 18,536,334 in all other states.

Cotton on hand December 31 was 4,905,930 bales, of which 1,704,439 bales were in manufacturing establishments (940,359 bales in cotton growing states and 764,081 bales in all other states), and 3,201,491 bales were in independent warehouses (2,064,180 bales in cotton growing states and 1,137,311 in all other states).

Imports of foreign cotton during December were 25,075 bales of 500 pounds each, of which 21,548 were from Egypt, 1141 bales from Peru, 1720 bales from China and 3115 bales from all other countries.

Exports of cotton during December amounted to 1,391,385 bales, of which 310,656 bales went to the United Kingdom, 548,345 bales to Germany, 65,573 bales to France, 57,506 bales to Italy and 174,925 bales to all other countries.

TODAY IN CONGRESS

Washington, Jan. 14.—Senate. Convened at noon.

Senator McLean urged passage of a bill for the protection of migratory birds.

W. Winkfield told campaign funds investigating committee how Archibald letters were obtained.

Indian affairs committee approved resolution authorizing department of justice to investigate affairs of the Crow Indians in Montana.

House. Convened at noon.

Resumed debate on postoffice appropriation bill.

Army appropriation bills carrying \$61,850,177 were reported.

Metal schedule tariff revision hearing was continued before ways and means committee.

Festus I. Wade told banking and currency committee that the country could never have a sound monetary system without a central bank.

JOHNSON SKIPS WITH WHITE WIFE

Chicago, Jan. 14.—It was reported here early today that Jack Johnson, negro prize fighter, accompanied by his white wife and two negro friends, was on a train bound for Toronto, Canada.

Johnson is under \$30,000 bond to appear in the United States district court to answer to indictments charging violation of the Mann act. The pugilist's bond was supposed to keep him within the state until his trial.

Johnson is said to have told friends that he intended taking a trip to Toronto for a couple of days. Johnson announced some time ago that he had received offers to fight in Russia, and the opinion was ventured that he might be intending to sail via Halifax. United States Marshal Hoy had had no authority to stop Johnson even if he was on his way to Canada.

No one could be aroused by telephone at the Johnson home early today.

The first information regarding Johnson's flight from the city was given by the publication in a local newspaper of a telegram from a passenger who recognized Johnson and his party in the train.

Charles S. Dewoody, superintendent of the department of justice in Chicago, wired the police at Battle Creek to arrest Johnson.

Shortly after his arrest Johnson called Supt. Dewoody by telephone and explained that he had no intention of staying in Canada or making an extended trip. He said he had no thought of escaping the federal laws or attempting to forfeit his \$30,000 bond.

Johnson was indicted several months ago by the federal grand jury on several counts for alleged violation of the Mann act and is at liberty on bonds. He is also charged with smuggling valuable jewelry into this country for his white wife, who committed suicide several months ago. The latter case is pending in the United States court.

The Mann act charge is not extraditable and for this reason Johnson has no right to leave the country, the authorities assert. His payment on the train of cash fare to Toronto indicated his intention to go to Canada, say the police.

Application was made to Federal Judge Carpenter for a bench warrant for Johnson's arrest as a fugitive. The court declined to issue the warrant when Attorney Bachrach, who appeared for Johnson, said he would produce his client in court tomorrow morning.

Attorney Bachrach said that Johnson would voluntarily return to Chicago, and that an attempt would be made to have him again admitted to bail. Because of his leaving the jurisdiction of the court, federal authorities will urge that Johnson be not admitted to bail.

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CANAL BILL INTRODUCED

Sen. Root Would Eliminate Free Tolls and Avoid Arbitration

Washington, Jan. 14.—Senator Root introduced today a bill to amend the Panama canal act to eliminate the provision exempting American coastwise ships from the payment of tolls. The bill is expected to reopen the entire question of Panama tolls now at issue with Great Britain and to pave the way for a new discussion of the subject in the senate.

Senator Root gave notice that he would speak January 21 in support of the bill and it is understood that a number of other senators will debate the question. Many of the senate members have declared recently that they favored meeting Great Britain's objections to the canal law by repealing the free toll provisions rather than submitting the whole subject to arbitration on the question of the right of the United States to grant free passage to American-owned ships. Senator Root opposed the free toll provision when the act was passed last summer and since then has favored either arbitration or the striking out of the clause.

MEN CAUGHT WITH GOODS

El Paso Police Take Former Secret Service Men in Holdup

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 14.—L. S. Ross, former secret service operative for the United States government, and V. L. Schneider, former secret operative of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad in Colorado, were arrested by the El Paso police shortly after midnight this morning, following a holdup of eleven alleged gamblers in a hotel.

The police received a tip that the holdup would occur and were in waiting in an adjoining hotel. They claim that they could see the holdup through the window and that while it was taking place they rushed into the hotel and caught Ross as he was coming down the stairs. The police declare they took \$1320.80 cash, about \$3000 worth of diamonds and three revolvers from Ross. The men who were robbed identified the money and diamonds as theirs. Schneider was not arrested in the hotel, but was taken into custody later in his offices in a nearby building where he and Ross operate a detective agency.

Ross' connection with the United States secret service ended a few months ago, following the alleged discovery that certain arms seized from Mexican rebels by United States detectives had been sold to a local arms house.

NAVAL COLLEGE EXTENSION OPENS

Washington, Jan. 14.—The extension of the naval war college was opened here last night with exercises in the National museum, at which addresses were delivered by Secretary of the Navy Meyer and Captain William S. Sims, U. S. N.

The object of the extension, as outlined by Secretary Meyer, is to bring to the attention of Mr. Meyer and navy officers information proposed at the naval war college and to add to such knowledge the expert knowledge of prominent citizens who will give weekly lectures.

The subjects to be considered will embrace naval policy, strategy, tactics, combined operation of army and navy, foreign relations, international law, the Panama canal and its effect on naval strategy and on the intercourse of this country with Latin-American countries.

"WATCH TRUST" IS INVESTIGATED

Washington, Jan. 14.—The Waltham watch company, alleged to be in the "watch trust," was investigated at the outset today. E. C. Fitch of Waltham, Mass., testified that the company could manufacture watch dials cheaper than he could buy abroad, said that the Waltham Watch company was originally capitalized at \$5,000,000, that it reorganized with a capitalization of \$12,000,000, tangible assets of \$9,922,000, with patents and good will worth \$2,078,000.

The witness told of the former existence of a selling agency that handled the Waltham Watch company's products. He said he was one of three partners in the selling agency, each of whom received \$60,000 a year salary.

MELTING SNOWS CAUSE TROUBLE

Reading, Cal., Jan. 14.—Melting snow and heavy rains are making trouble here for the Southern Pacific. The northbound Shasta Limited struck a snowslide last night at Ken-dredick and was delayed an hour. Fortunately the train was running slowly and the most serious damage done was to tear loose the pilot from the engine.

The Sacramento river is six feet above low water and rising rapidly.

OFFICERS TAKE PUG OFF TRAIN

Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 14.—Jack Johnson, negro heavyweight pugilist, was taken off a train here early today by the police here and is being held pending the arrival of Chicago authorities, who requested his detention. Johnson was accompanied by his white wife and two negro friends.

According to the local officers he admitted that he was on his way to

NEW SENATE TO BE UNITED

Progressive Democrats Will Control—Leaders Successful

Washington, Jan. 14.—President-elect Wilson's declaration at Trenton yesterday that he would "pick only progressives" for the work of the new administration brought Democratic leaders of the senate today statements that the new President would have the support of a united Democratic majority in the senate when he began his presidential term.

Efforts to unite the Democrats, with the control virtually given to the "progressives," have been so far so successful that leaders predict that there will be no open break in the organization of the new senate.

The "reorganization" element will, it is understood, yield the chairmanships of committees to the older senators entitled to them by rank; but will insist upon a full voice in the control of each committee and in the selection of its members.

Sensors Martin and Hoke Smith, recognized as the leaders of the Democratic forces in the senate, both refused to see in the remarks of the President-elect any especial connection with the situation in the senate and predict a settlement of all the differences in that body.

STATES VOTE ON NEW SENATORS

Boise, Jan. 14.—United States Senator William A. Borah received every Republican vote in the Idaho legislature today and was re-elected for the six-year term beginning March 4 next. He received a total of seventy-five votes in the two houses. The seven Democratic members cast their votes as follows: G. W. Tanshill, 5; K. E. Perky, 2.

The first ballot in the senate for short term senator resulted in no election. The senate was first to vote for a short term senator, the house late today having failed to call a vote.

Denver, Jan. 14.—Former Governor Charles S. Thomas and Governor John F. Shafroth, Democrats, were elected United States senators from Colorado today, the senate and house voting separately. Twelve Republicans in the house and three in the senate voted for the Democratic candidates in compliance with pledge No. 1, taken prior to the November election to support the senatorial candidates receiving the highest preferential vote. The vote of the two houses stood:

Short term—Thomas, Democrat, 88; Waterman, Republican, 9; Vincent, Progressive, 1; Stevens, Progressive, 1. Absent, 1. Total, 100.

Long term—Shafroth, Democrat, 86; Dawson, Republican, 11; Catlin, Progressive, 1; Hunter, Democrat, 1; absent, 1. Total, 100.

The election will be ratified formally at a joint session tomorrow.

John W. Weeks of Newton received a majority vote for United States senator in both houses of the Massachusetts legislature today. He polled the full Republican strength in the senate the vote was: Weeks, 26; Whiffie (Democrat), 11.

In the house the vote was: Weeks, 134; Whiffie, 69.

The two houses will meet in joint convention tomorrow to ratify the vote.

William Alden Smith was re-elected United States senator by the Michigan legislature today. A joint session of the legislature will be held tomorrow to ratify today's election.

PRATT IS ELECTED SPEAKER OF HOUSE

Cheyenne, Wyo., Jan. 14.—M. L. Pratt, Republican, who refused to enter the Republican caucus, today was elected temporary speaker of the house, receiving the solid support of the Democratic members. W. J. Woods was chosen temporary secretary. The Democrats declare that they will vote to make the temporary organization permanent and will endeavor to prevent the re-election of United States Senator F. E. Warren.

W. L. Manson (Republican) also voted with the Democrats.

In the senate the Republicans had a safe majority for Birney H. Sage as president pro tem.

Republicans are not as yet admitting that Pratt and Manson will continue to vote and work with the Democrats against the re-election of Senator Warren, and for his opponent, John B. Kendrick of Sheridan.

The senate is safely Republican, with a majority of five. Two contests have been brought by Democrats, but these are not expected to be successful. In the event, however, that the Democratic-Progressive organization be adopted throughout re-election power to pages, there is no doubt the contests against the contestants. This would mean that on joint ballot, with the Democrats taking the place of the contested Republicans in the house and Manson and Pratt voting with the Democrats, the latter could muster 42 for Kendrick to 41 Republican votes for Warren.

FLOOD BULLETINS

Washington, Jan. 14.—The flood bulletin issued by the weather bureau today says:

The Ohio river is falling above the mouth of the Great Kanawha river, but continues to rise below. The stage at Cincinnati this morning was 61.9, 9 feet higher than on Monday, with a further rise indicated."

RIVER RISING SLOWLY

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 14.—The Ohio river continues to rise slowly here early today, but it was believed that the worst of the flood was over. The rise in the last 12 hours was only 3 feet.

Everything possible is being done for the 3000 or more families driven from their homes.

MISS O'HARA SAYS STORY IS UNTRUE

Keokuk, Iowa, Jan. 14.—Miss Edna O'Hara, general secretary of the Young Woman's Christian association today denied that the organization planned getting subscriptions from local business men for the local club of the Central association on condition that the baseball enthusiasts would dispense with Sunday baseball. Miss O'Hara said:

"I did not say we would canvass the town for baseball money. What will people think of the Y. W. C. A. if it is to back a thing like that. The statement that our association is ready to get baseball subscriptions is incorrect."

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